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SUBJECT: BDG DIPLOMATIC MAY VISIT PEKING

1. ACCORDING TO ARTICLE IN BENGALI LANGUAGE NEWSPAPER ITTEFAQ, BDG'S PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE TO UN, S.A. KARIM MAY VISIT PEKING MAY 27 ENROUTE TO NORTH KOREA. IN AN APRIL 17 FRONT-PAGE ARTICLE DATED NEW YORK "BY AIRMAIL", ITTEFAQ REPORTED THAT KARIM WILL RETURN TO DACCA MAY 20 AND PROCEED TO RANGOON MAY 26 FOR TALKS WITH AMBASSADOR K.M. KAISER, PRINCIPAL BDG ADVISOR ON ITS CHINA POLICY. MAY 27 KARIM WILL GO TO PEKING FOR ONE DAY AND "VERY POSSIBLE" WILL HAVE DISCUSSIONS WITH PRC OFFICIALS. ARTICLE SAYS LENGTH OF STAY IN NORTH KOREA IS UNDETERMINED AS YET BUT THAT EITHER DURING THE VISIT OR UPON DEPARTURE, KARIM MAY VISIT PEKING ONE MORE. KARIM SUPPOSEDLY WAS INVITED TO NORTH KOREA BECAUSE OF BDG'S SUPPORT ON THE KOREAN ITTIEM IN UNGA LAST FALL.

2. AS FURTHER SIGN OF IMPROVED BDG-PRC RELATIONS, ITTEFAQ ARTICLE MENTIONS THAT BDG GAVE THE PRC PLANE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CARRYING ITS REPRESENTATIVE TO THE CORONATION IN

NEPAL IN FEBRUARY PERMISSION TO OVERFLY BANGLADESH.

3. COMMENT. THE ARTICLE IS FAR MORE DETAILED THAN  
USUAL BANGALI PRESS SPECULATION ON SIGNS OF CLOSER TIES  
TO THE PRC, AND ITTEFAQ HAS A REPUTATION FOR CAREFUL  
JOURNALISM. MOWEVER, ACCURACY OF ARTICLE IS SUSPECT  
ON AT LEAST ONE POINT. ACCORDING TO OUR RECORDS, BDG,  
WHICH HAS DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH BOTH NORTH AND SOUTH  
KOREA, ABSTAINED ON ALL CRUCIAL FIRST COMMITTEE VOTES  
ON KOREAN ITEM IN UNGA. IN ANY EVENT, BANGLADESH  
NEWSPAPERS, SOMETIMES WITH GOVERNMENT ENCOURAGEMENT,  
TEND TO MAKE MUCH OF EVEN CHANGE ENCOUNTERS WITH  
THE CHI SE, ASSERTING THAT THEY INDICATE FURTHER PROGRESS  
TOWARD NORMALIZATION OF RELATIONS.  
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